

REMARKS

Claims 7, 10, 12 and 13 are pending in the application. Claim 13 is newly added. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Newly added claim 13 is dependent on claim 7 and further recites that the plastic is such that when an explosion of the high pressure gas discharge luminous body occurs, the plastic prevents the centrifugal ejection of particles from said reflector. This prevents damage to components that are nearby the reflector as noted at pages 2 and 3 of the specification.

None of the cited references teaches a reflector having an exterior surface formed of such a plastic that prevents centrifugal ejection of particles of the reflector upon explosion of the high pressure gas discharge luminous body.

Accordingly, it is submitted that new claim 13 is allowable.

It is respectfully requested for the reasons set forth above and in the Amendment Under Rule 116 filed on December 5, 2002 that the rejection set forth in the final Office Action be withdrawn, that claims 7, 10, 12 and 13 be allowed and that this application be passed to issue.

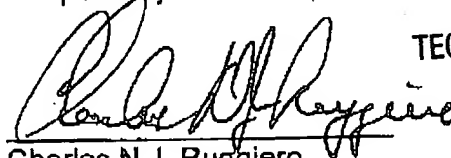
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Respectfully submitted,

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